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## CROWNING MOMENTS

2004

Miss UTM  
Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival

Mandy Hopper and Kayla Hockett were respectively crowned Miss UTM and Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival Saturday night at UTM's Harriet Fulton Theatre.

Hopper and Hockett will go on to compete in the upcoming Miss Tennessee pageant.

Saturday night's competitions also included Miss UT Martin Teen and Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival Teen. Sabree Danner and Lacie Trevathan won these titles respectively.

The 19 contestants in Miss UTM and Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival were judged in four categories: Interview, Lifestyle and Fitness in a Swimsuit, Artistic Expression and Presence and Poise in Evening Wear.

Valli Kugler Kelly, Miss Tennessee 2002 and former Miss UTM, and Brittany Broach, Miss Teen Tennessee Princess, narrated the event. The audience enjoyed special entertainment by Erica Jacobs, Maddie Littrell and Valli Kugler Kelly.

Special awards were presented just before the

crowning, LaCrisha Burton was presented the Non-Finalist Lifestyle and Fitness in Swimsuit award. The Non-Finalist Artistic Expression award was presented to Jackie Patterson for her rendition of the country classic "You're Cheatin' Heart."

Jordan Cole was named first runner-up to Miss UTM and Miss Congeniality. Melinda Garret was named second-runner up. Deanna Gardenhire was named first runner-up to Miss Soybean and Amy Robbins was named second runner-up.

Members of the audience agreed that the show was great. "The judges had very hard decisions to make. All of the girls were very beautiful and unique. I'm sure that UTM and the surrounding areas will be very well-represented at the Miss Tennessee pageant," said Sunni Ferguson, a UTM student from Trenton, Tenn.

— Erin Young, Staff Writer

## Line of Succession

## Recent Royalty

Valli Kugler  
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## A first step to understanding

Lee Lawrence  
Staff Writer

UTM students, faculty and community members gathered between the Boling University Center and Paul Meek Library last Thursday afternoon to tear down the "Writing on the Wall" monument that was constructed as a symbolic barrier between races, genders, cultures and individuals.

The construction of the wall was part of the national "Writing on the Wall Project" and was designed to raise awareness about the words that separate various groups of people. As a key component of Diversity Week at UTM, many feel that the wall achieved its purpose.

"The goal was to raise awareness and cause everyone to talk about the wall," said SGA President Dusty Dean. "I believe the wall achieved and far exceeded its original purpose."

In a speech given at the event, Dean added that this had been a week of multicultural understanding for the campus, and that he believed we were now ready to move past these barriers. "These words are atrocious, heinous and unnerving, yet they are also very real," said Dean. "The Student Government Association doesn't sponsor hate, but we do sponsor truth."

Luther Mercer II, director of the UTM Office of Multicultural Affairs, Sigma Phi Epsilon President John Lankford, and UTM Chancellor Nick Dunagan were also present to give their insight and support for the tearing down of the wall ceremony.

"This wall is what burdens the hearts of men today, and the only way to move past these words is to confront them," said Mercer in an address to the crowd. Chancellor Dunagan added that the wall was about the human condition and the



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things we do to keep each other from living in a state of harmony.  
"I hope that when the wall comes down, people will think about interaction and communication," said Dunagan. "A single event can't change anything, but it's a start."

When members of the crowd began gathering to physically pull the wall down as a representation of breaking through hate barriers, some were not so eager to help in an event they

— See 'Wall' on Page 5

## Student Government

New campus  
housing tops  
SGA agendaWill York  
Assistant News Editor

New on-campus housing, ratification of the Student Government Association Constitution and discussion over faculty use of UTM's student fitness center highlighted last Thursday's SGA Senate meeting.

Earl Wright, director of housing, spoke and answered senator questions about the new apartment-style residence halls being constructed at the former Austin Peay dorm location. The new dorm, which is yet to be named, will house 396 students beginning next fall. Wright informed senators that current students will receive priority over incoming freshmen and transfer students if they apply by December 15.

The new apartment-style residences will feature a living room, full kitchen, electricity, cable, Internet connection, two, three or four bedrooms and private baths. The new dorms will come fully furnished.

"We started out with some focus groups talking about what it was that they were looking for in the housing as far as furnishings," Wright said. Wright added that SGA could have the final say as to which furnishings will be selected. Since the new housing will be fully furnished, students will have to store the furniture they do not wish to use. Wright was particularly proud that the new housing will feature full-sized beds, which he said was the frequent suggestion of focus groups.

As to the progress of the construction, Wright said, "The framing contractor might be as much as one day behind schedule, and that's great news." The framing contractor is responsible for raising the wooden frame. Wright cited the soaring prices of steel and high lumber prices for an increased expenditure. "We were fortunate that we got all the lumber before the hurricanes in Florida, though," he said.

Wright said housing prices will probably continue to increase with the rate of inflation, currently two to three percent. He said soaring health care costs also impact housing fees.

Senators inquired if the campus-wide alcohol policy would be in effect at the new housing since the new dorms are apartments. Wright informed Senate that the official policy of the university is that no alcohol is allowed in the dorms. Housing says that resident assistants will not be used in the new dorms.

Wright said that apartment rental rates have been set. The rate will be \$395 per month with a 12 month lease making monthly payments, but if students are willing to make one payment of

— See 'Apartments' on Page 5

# Viewpoints

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### Our View

## Editorial: New housing will affect rent costs

Recently the UTM Office of Housing announced the monthly rent cost for the apartment-style residence halls still under construction. The rent, which includes water, electricity, high speed Internet, cable television and telephone, is set at \$395 per month.

A deposit of \$150 is also required.

The verdict is still out on whether or not this is a bargain. Nearly \$400 every month for one room will put a strain on any budget.

Certainly the lottery scholarship students will be able to live in luxury in these units, complete with landscaped yards and all the amenities a college student

could use. It will be interesting to watch how local apartment complexes and renters adjust their prices to remain competitive with the new housing.

Rumblings have already surfaced that the rent at Martin Place is set to increase in the near future. Simple economics say that others will follow suit.

UTM and the Martin community are slowly adjusting to the prospect of students having more cash on hand.

We believe it is important for the city and university to take notice of this phenomenon. It is also important to remember those of us who aren't so lucky.

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Rachel Freeman  
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## Words have power to heal as well as hurt

Words have power. They have the power to transform our thoughts, to build relationships and to destroy them, and to sow the seeds of understanding or those of contempt.

There was some controversy over the "Writing on The Wall" project for Diversity Week, but all agreed that there was power in the words of hate. Those supporting the project sought to deprive those words of their power, while those opposed did not want the despised words to see the light of day.

Words do have the power to wound. Working as a psychologist over the years, I have seen an ocean of tears from clients who have been hurt by words.

Years ago, I went to a workshop in which we were asked to write on labels the words that were used to describe us while growing up. We then stuck the labels on our clothing. It was chilling to see people walking around with words like "stupid,"

"worthless," "a nuisance," and worse on their bodies.

The point was that even as adults, we harbor the perceptions created by those negative childhood labels, unless we become aware of their power over us and seek to change them.

While it is easy to make fun of "political correctness," both the Civil Rights Movement and the Women's Movement often focused on the power of words.

African-American men in the South were sick of being called "boy." Middle-aged women resented their bosses referring to them as "girls," as in, "my girl will get you a cup of coffee."

Words shape our self-concept and also the way in which others see us.



**Jennifer Y. Levy, Ph.D.**  
Counseling & Career Services

### Counselor's Corner

There is a big difference between being a "crippled child" and being referred to as "a child with a disability."

People with mental illness have often suffered from the stigma of being called "crazy."

Medical students are finally being reminded to humanize their patients by calling them "Mrs. Jones, the woman with gallbladder disease," instead of "the gallbladder in Room 309."

Psychological experiments have even shown that using dehumanizing language allows us to be more violent to others.

Listen to a parent and child interact, or to a married couple having a conversation.

The way they use words speaks volumes about the nature of their relationship.

Does the parent shout at the child and blame her for normal childhood behavior? Does the spouse speak criti-

cally and sharply to his or her partner?

As we approach the holiday season, let's be mindful of the assumptions behind our words. Not everyone is Christian, and not everyone celebrates Christmas.

When prayers of any specific religion are offered at a public gathering, people need to think about how words can exclude those of different faiths.

Most of the time, we do not intend to give offense with our words. They come from habit, from frustration, and from ignorance.

Those who knowingly use words to intimidate and oppress will be immune to my plea.

Well-intentioned people can think about the words they use, read about the historical meaning of words, and most important, participate in conversations to learn which words have the power to harm, and which have the power to heal.

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## Student offers unique group to campus

I have an older brother with a disability; he was born with a chromosome disorder that causes mental retardation. My parents discovered this a few weeks before I was born. Nathan is two and a half years older than I am. He is the older brother, but I will always be the big sister. I grew up fast. I don't remember a time when it wasn't me looking out for Nathan and helping him with his daily activities, chores and homework.

When I wasn't trying to help Nathan, I was teased for having "a brother like that" and defending him to the rest of the world. I wanted to do things after school as I got older, such as joining clubs and going to a friend's house, but was usually told that it was my responsibility to watch Nathan instead. I finally convinced my parents to let me do more, but I always had to take Nathan along with me, and he got bored easily.

I always hear people complain about their siblings being annoying and them constantly fighting with each other. Nathan and I never fight, unless he just gets so frustrated with the homework or chores that I'm helping him do that he loses his cool. I missed having a 'normal' big brother to argue with, and even when we did disagree on something, I had the unfair advantage.

I missed the big brother that was supposed to protect his little sister. Even

though I've gained a few "big brothers" through high school and college, and I wouldn't trade them for anything, I still feel as though I missed out on it while I was growing up.

My move to college was difficult. I wanted to get out of town, but knew that I would worry about Nathan.

I worried that things would fall apart when I left him alone with my parents, and they did. I worried about what would happen and how Nathan would react when he realized that I was no longer just across the hall from him in my bedroom like I had been for more than 18 years of his life, and I worried that he still had another year of school left, and had to take on the world in which he knew nothing about without me by his side.

However, I was also relieved to find freedom.

I no longer was the one that had to race his school bus for him in the afternoons, help him with his homework or rearrange my schedule for someone to be with him.

I could put myself first for once. I felt guilty for feeling that way, and it took a while, but I have finally started to realize that though I grew up playing the role for so many years, I am not his parent.

I was offered an internship in Florida for the summer and fall semesters, and after much deliberation and talk-

ing with a friend, I decided to turn it down.

One reason was because I would have had to leave no later than the day before Nathan's high school graduation.

My mother continuously tried to convince me to leave, that she would tape the ceremonies. I told her that I had earned a place at Nathan's graduation more than she had, and would be there one way or another.

I felt bad about what I said to my mother, but it was the truth, and she later told me that I was right. I was sitting in the third row at Nathan's graduation cheering him on. I have since been asked if I regret my decision to turn down my internship.

I would have loved to have taken it, but I do not regret the reason I chose not to accept.

Many people have stories similar to mine, or have experienced similar situations. I would like to introduce a new group to our campus geared towards those who have experienced living with or around individuals with mental or physical handicaps.

If you are interested or would like more information, please email [utmsibs@yahoo.com](mailto:utmsibs@yahoo.com).

Nikki Grey is a Family Consumer Science major from Jackson, Tenn.

## Avoid the urge to procrastinate at this time of semester

Here we are in the home stretch of the semester.

With less than a month of classes left and 33 days left until graduation, it is unbelievable that the semester has flown by so fast.

Today is Nov. 16 and it leaves me pondering one major thing. Where did 2004 go? We have 45 days left for this year. I'm not complaining but it does leave me scratching my head and pondering (not that I need anything else to ponder).

This is the crunch time of the semester when professors attempt to cram in more



Lisa Ashby  
Viewpoints  
Editor

information into our over-packed notebooks and soon to implode brains.

Many classes have tests to worry about and tests are getting thrown in left and right. I have no doubt that most dates on every syllabi have been changed and professors are scurrying to find days to turn in assignments

and take tests to determine what your final grade should be, not what you, the student, thinks it ought to be.

As an upperclassman, I would like to pass along a bit of advice.

Do not wait until the last minute to do anything. Turn off the PlayStation and television and focus on your studies. Avoiding procrastination is a guarantee-way to ensure that you will be back. Believe me, I should know ... I am the almighty queen of procrastination when it comes to cracking open a textbook.

But not right now. I have relinquished my crown because I am focused on the next 33 days.

It takes lots of money, blood, sweat and tears to reach the end of bachelor life and receive that precious degree.

Have fun in moderation. Look at it this way; you have your post-graduation life to have fun. Make sacrifices right now to graduate from college.

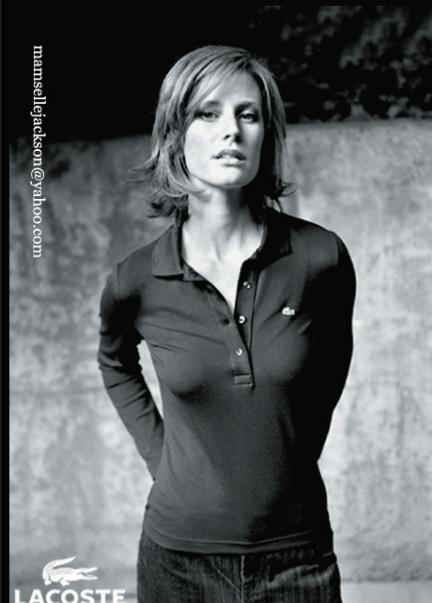
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## Senior Day brings in over 800 prospective students

Megan Madden  
Staff Writer

The second of two Senior Preview Days at UTM was held Nov. 13. The event, which hosted over 800 students and parents, was a record attendance for the university's preview days. Senior Preview Days are opportunities for high school seniors interested in UTM to tour and learn more about the university.

"Today I learned so much more about all UTM has to offer. I really got a lot of good information," said Chris King, a high school senior from Arlington, Tenn.

The preview day began in

## Chi Omega hosts barbecue benefit for UTM athletics

Erin Young  
Chi Omega Correspondent

The Xi Zeta Chapter of Chi Omega held their 14th Annual Chi Omega Barbecue on October 23.

The event was held before the Skyhawk football team took the field against Eastern Illinois. The sisters donated all proceeds from the barbecue to the UTM Athletic Department. Bad Bob's Barbecue of Newbern, Tenn. catered the event.

This year, Anna Shanklin and Connie Lin Barker, co-

ordinators of the event, presented Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Phil Dane a check for \$1,500 at half-time.

"We do this each year to show our appreciation to UTM athletes. Despite the weather, we fed over 500 people. Everyone came out to support the Skyhawks," said Shanklin.

The brothers of Alpha Tau Omega won the \$50 participation award, which will benefit St. Jude. The event was also sponsored by the Weakley County Chi Omega Alumni Chapter.

## UTM students meet with Mexican consul general

Staff Reports

Two students at UTM had the rare honor of attending a luncheon in honor of Maria de los Remedios Gomez-Arnau, Consul General of Mexico in Atlanta. These two students were Gary Evans and Adrienne Broadbent.

Madame Consul General was nominated for the position by Mexican President Vicente Fox Quesada on Feb. 20, 2001. Her job consists of being a diplomat for Mexico in the United States and of overseeing activities for the Consulate General Office in Atlanta, which protects the rights and interest of citizens and immigrants in the United States.

Among many of the things discussed were issues that might not even seem issues to citizens such as being unable to do get a bank account

or car loan due to not having a social security number, or being robbed and not turning to the police for fear of deportation.

The sheer market buying power of the Hispanic/Latino population should give businesses and citizens in the area reason to pay attention. Banks have recently begun finding ways to lure Hispanics and Latinos inside, and stores as common as Wal-Mart have found market niches by selling to Hispanics.

"It is our hope that students at UTM, as well as members of the community, will begin to discuss immigration, its implications, and the challenges and opportunities it provides," said Broadbent, a senior secondary Spanish and English education major from Bradford.

These presentations may include information on testing to determine jobs best suited to interests, psychological type and values, career planning, decision making, managing a career after graduation and jobs or career fields applicable to a particular academic major.

To discuss or schedule a presentation for your class or group, contact Bob Beard at (731) 881-7720.

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Also available are study guides to assist in preparation for the GRE, LSAT, MCAT and other graduate admissions exams.

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### Help Rename UC Locations

Students have been given the opportunity to add their own touch to the main student attractions in the UC.

SGA is sponsoring a chance for everyone to have a voice in the renaming of the game room, lobby, food court and JW's Market. They are trying to recruit feedback.

The renaming of these facilities would be a great way to leave an impression on the campus after your studies here are done.

Suggestions will be taken in ballot boxes placed at the entrance of each respective location. The top few names will be chosen according to tastefulness, creativity, uniqueness and above all, appeal to all students.

After the names have been submitted to Sodexo, the winners will receive a prize.

### Photography Club

The Photography Club will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesdays in UC 232.

### Free Self-Defense Lessons

The Freshman Council is sponsoring free martial arts and self-defense lessons at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday in the UC.

### Talk Time

Talk Time is a free, informal opportunity for students to practice their conversational skills in a comfortable environment.

Topics of discussion include current news, entertainment, culture, grammatical concepts, literature and more.

Talk Time is held at 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Writing Center (209 Humanities).

### 4-H Meeting

November 16 Brehm 158 5:00 p.m.

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University Center 8 am to 1pm November 17

This is a project designed for all who are ready to take charge and welcome health and wellness in all aspects of their daily lives. We all have chosen to come together and support one another. In this forum we will drive each other and be driven to succeed in this endeavor. The Health and Human Performances Department would like to welcome all students, faculty and staff to participate on Wellness Wednesday.

### Annual UTM Turkey Shoot

November 15th-18th 4pm-6pm



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## 'Lunch and Learn' forum offers test-taking advice

Amy Guest  
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday's "Lunch and Learn" offered ways to study that would make taking test less stressful and end up with better results.

Dr. Michelle Santiago led the workshop.

Dr. Santiago suggested that students use a binder with dividers to separate your different days of note taking.

She also said it is best not to write everything down that the instructor says because people cannot write that fast.

The best thing to do is to write down key words or what is being stressed.

While taking notes it is a good idea to leave about two inches on each side of your paper; this is in case you have any questions about the material.

After class is over it is suggested that reviewing the notes just taken for ten minutes can really help you to remember the material.

This is a good time to write down any questions in the space allotted.

Once you find out that a test is going to be given it is a good idea to find out what kind of test it is going to be.

Will it be objective, calculation or essay?

The way you study will depend on the type of test being given.

You also need to ask what will the test cover.

What works for one student may not work for all.

"Find what works for you," said Santiago.

"People are waiting for a magic fairy wand. Just find what is natural."

These few suggestions will make test taking less stressful and result in more success.

### when studying for...

... an **objective test**, be sure to know the information thoroughly.

... a **calculation test**: practice, practice, practice. Before beginning the problem, show the formula that is going to be used.

... an **essay test**, remember organization is key. It is good to start out with a strong thesis statement and back it up with supporting arguments.

## Diversity rally brings students, organizations together

Romila Chopra  
Staff Writer

The Diversity Rally was held in the Student Life Center at 7 p.m. on Nov. 10. as part of the First Annual Diversity Week.

Students had the opportunity to visit booths that campus organizations set up as well as see the presentations and performances of many groups and individual speakers.

The Diversity Rally was sponsored by the Student Government Association, Student Activities Council and the International Students Association.

The rally provided the opportunity for various student organizations and individuals to get together to support diversity on campus and promote multicultural education, discovery and awareness.

"The SGA Minority Af-

fairs committee, SAC and many other student organizations worked very hard to make the Diversity Rally and UTM's First Annual Diversity Week a successful one," said SGA President Dusty Dean.

"I'm sure that everyone involved took good notes and that this event will continue to improve in semesters to come. I'm proud of everyone who participated."

A wide variety of student organizations participated by setting up booths at the rally.

Among the student organizations that participated were the Photography club, the Equestrian club, the Spanish club, Alpha Phi Omega, SABER and Rotaract.

The sisters of Gamma Kappa Pi and the brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon were among the greek organizations that also set up booths.

"It's good to know that so many organizations support diversity," said Joseph Allen,

a freshman Electrical Engineering major from San Diego, Calif.

Holy Young People Empowerment, H.Y.P.E., began the performance portion of the rally.

Their presentation included singing, stepping, a skit and quoting scriptures.

Dr. Dawood Sultan gave a short lecture on the importance of languages and his trip to Tanzania.

He emphasized the importance of students learning a foreign language and the increasing demand in the work force for bilingual individuals and translators.

He also kept students entertained by illustrating his point about the usefulness of knowing foreign languages by telling a story about the trip he took to Egypt and a man in Cairo trying to buy Dr. Sultan's wife with camels.

There were also musical

performances throughout the rally.

The sisters of Sigma Alpha Iota sang four songs about the organization. There was also a performance by guest rappers from Corinth, MS, who came specifically for the event. The UTM Gospel Choir also performed at the Diversity Rally.

The rally also included a martial arts demonstration. The demonstration included elements of Judo, Tae Kwon Do and basic breaking techniques.

The demonstrators broke boards, cement blocks and a baseball bat.

"I'm glad that I was able to be a part of this wonderful experience," said Brad Hadley, a junior Communications major from Fairview.

"We were here for one thing, and one thing only, to show and spread diversity at UTM."

### The Pacer's staff writer meetings

will be held at 5:15 p.m. Tuesdays in 316 Gooch.



### UTM Rifle Range

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## E-books, databases offer alternative resources for late-night researchers

Elizabeth Watts  
Asst. Sections Editor

Ever had a ten page paper to write and you started the day before it's due? Then you hear the dreaded announcement, "The library will be closing in 15 minutes."

When you're pressed for time and resources, look for E-books online.

E-books are the product of Project Gutenberg, the oldest producer of E-books. Netlibrary.com is also a huge website devoted to E-books. Netlibrary's website says, "We offer the only comprehensive approach to E-books that integrates with the time-honored missions and methods of libraries and librarians."

It is important to note that

E-books don't replace the wealth of information a library has.

Some websites make you pay before you download or view an E-book from their website. College students don't have extra money to throw around, but there are websites on the internet that let people gain access to E-books for free.

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You can search Yahoo, Google, or Ask.com by typing in "free E-books" in the

search bar. Electronic databases also offer millions of articles from many different periodicals with the click of a button.

Before basing an entire ten page paper on E-books or even using them as a source, ask your professor beforehand if E-books are acceptable. Also keep in mind that an E-book is cited differently than is a published book.

So, if you're trying to think of excuses to give your professor about why your paper is going to be late, never fear. Just because the library is closed doesn't mean that the research is over. Keep clicking away on the computer and burning that midnight oil and you'll have your paper written in no time.

### Apartments: Continued from Cover

\$2,310 each semester, they will save \$120. With monthly payments, rent will be \$4,740 per year. Ten month leases are also available at \$420 per month. Graduating seniors may sign a five year lease for \$420 per month.

SGA Campus Observation Committee chair Kevin Anderson updated the assembly about SGA's student taxi service, which escorted students around campus in a golf cart. Anderson said the response was "pretty good" and that it gave senators a good opportunity to talk with their constituents. Anderson also said that his committee is working on putting up mailboxes for student clubs in the SGA office as part of Dusty

Dean's efforts to improve communication among clubs.

SGA's Constitutional Review Committee, headed by Chief Justice Beau Pemberton, submitted the revised Constitution for ratification, which passed unanimously. Before the Constitution can be ratified, another hearing and vote must take place.

The Senate also passed a resolution to form an ad hoc committee to investigate the feasibility of allowing UTM faculty to use the fitness center, which is paid by student fees. Faculty have voiced interest in using the student facilities. SGA and Faculty Senate are working jointly to resolve the matter.

### Wall: Continued from Cover

viewed as disrespectful and distasteful.

When asked what he would say to people on campus who strongly disagree with the project, Sigma Phi Epsilon President John Lankford said, "We are all entitled to our opinion, but I'm glad that we were able to bring this out in the open. I would like to have seen more student involvement, but other than that I wouldn't have changed anything."

With one mighty tug from supporters the wall came crashing down, leaving most with

a sense that the first step had been taken to bridge gaps of hatred that have plagued our society for years. However, the general sentiment among a few protestors was that only more gaps had been created and old wounds had been made fresh again.

A meeting will be held on Nov. 17 to discuss the importance of the wall, as well as, the controversy that surrounded it. The Writing on the Wall Project began in 2001 at the University of Utah and has since spread to many other campuses across the country.

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<b>11:08 p.m. Nov. 1</b> <b>University Courts</b> Resident complaining of severe back and stomach pains. Transported to the hospital by EMS.	<b>1:06 p.m. Nov. 5</b> <b>University Street</b> A motorist was issued a citation for failing to yield to the right-of-way, and was referred to Martin City Court.
<b>1:10 p.m. Nov. 2</b> <b>Maintenance Center</b> Report of theft of property. Investigation continues.	<b>1:23 p.m. Nov. 5</b> <b>University Street</b> A motorist was issued a citation for speeding and seat belt violation, and was referred to Martin City Court.
<b>1:15 a.m. Nov. 3</b> <b>Mt. Petia Road</b> A motorist was issued a citation for speeding and a seat belt violation, and was referred to Martin City Court.	<b>6:19 p.m. Nov. 5</b> <b>University Street</b> A motorist was issued a citation for speeding, and was referred to Martin City Court.
<b>1:37 a.m. Nov. 3</b> <b>University Street</b> A motorist was issued a citation for speeding and a seat belt violation, and was referred to Martin City Court.	<b>10:07 p.m. Nov. 6</b> <b>Ag Center</b> Three visitors suffered injuries during the Motorcross. They were treated by EMS and transported to the hospital.
<b>8:39 p.m. Nov. 3</b> <b>Off Campus</b> A motorist was issued	<b>10:53 a.m. Nov. 5</b> <b>University Street</b> A motorist was issued a citation for a seat belt violation, and was referred to Martin City Court.

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## Stout, Lockhart senior exhibit a success

Bradley Mayse  
Staff Writer

The senior exhibit of Nici Stout and Emily Lockhart *An Exhibit of Design and Photography* opened in the Fine Arts gallery Tuesday, November 9.

Stout and Lockhart are both graphic design majors. Both exhibits featured an array of their graphic design accomplishments from the past four years.

"In this exhibit, I hope to display style. It has been a process of trial and error, a skill that grows and develops with time," said Stout. Stout's exhibit was compiled of all graphic design pieces created in Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator.

One compilation "Spring and Summer 2004" is a collection of twenty photographs. It includes several beach scenes, colorful flowers and a few zoo animals.



BRADLEY MAYSE/The Pacer  
An unnamed painting by Emily Lockhart, one of the exhibiting artists senior exhibits currently displayed in the Fine Arts Building.

All of the pictures were taken in Florida.

"I know Nici very well and the bright colors she's used in her display really showcase her bright attitude," said Lauren Rogers, a senior business major from Martin.

Another piece, *Public Service Ads*, is a series of three magazine ads teaching of the risks involved in premarital relations. The 3-page layout is made up of text, along with red and black dots. The simplicity of the ads say so



BRADLEY MAYSE/The Pacer  
"Spring and Summer 2004" by artist Nici Stout currently on exhibit in the Fine Arts building is a compilation of Florida scenes.

much and really explain the statistics of the dangers of premarital relations.

Emily Lockhart's exhibit features mostly graphic design pieces, with the addition of some drawings and a painting. Her graphic design

pieces include examples of magazine and newspaper ads as well as business letterheads. All of Lockhart's pieces were unlabeled because she felt it would be more meaningful to the viewer if the work spoke for itself.

One of her pieces is of a sunset on a beach. It is an acrylic painting on unprimed canvass which took a year to complete. It features a tree on a cliff with colorful autumn leaves and in the background is a beach with the sun setting off in the distance. "The part with the beach is not original. I had something else there and I decided to make it a beach instead so after I had completed the painting, I went back and painted a beach over it," said Lockhart.

"I really enjoyed the color variation and the impressionist style brush strokes," said Hilary Webb, a graduate student of Education from Memphis.

The exhibit will be in the fine arts gallery through November 19. Ms Stout and Ms. Lockhart urge everyone to come by and see it.

## UTM Percussion Ensemble: outstanding performance

Bradley Mayse  
Staff Writer

The UTM Department of Music held a percussion ensemble performance Monday night at 8 p.m. in the Harriet Fulton Theatre.

Nancy Matheson directed the ensemble and she was assisted by Tim Fritz. The performance started out with *Chromatic Fantasy* which was written by Scott Roberts. This song was brought to life by twelve performers playing various percussion instruments from vibraphones to xylophones. The piece was very uplifting.

The second song was called *Crown of Thorns* written by David Maslanka. It was performed by eight performers and it lasted about ten minutes.

"This was my favorite song because you can get a lot more out of it than

just the music because it is a very spiritual piece," said performer Sarah Roberts, a freshman music major from Martin.

"I chose 'Crown of Thorns' because it was a gorgeous and magnificent piece," said conductor Tim Fritz, who also played the marimba in this song.

The third song was *Soy Buen Tuxtico* which was arranged by Lawrence Kaptain. This song involved six performers. The song sounded much like steel drums and with the addition of the moroccas, it produced the feeling of being in an island paradise.

The fourth song was called *Triplets*, written by George Hamilton Green and arranged by Bob Becker. This song was performed by seven musicians, including Christopher A. Baker on the xylophone.

"*Triplets* sounded like an introductory song to a variety hour comedy show or something like that. It almost made me feel like I was in a cartoon," said Bethany Roberts, a senior animal science major from Martin.

The final song of the ensemble was *Just Kiddin'* and it was written by Michael Camilo and arranged by Dave Brochocki. This song featured all 18 performers and was very upbeat and energetic.

The UTM Percussion Ensemble will also perform at the Percussive Arts Society International Convention, November 13, in Nashville. The UTM percussion ensemble was one of only a few ensembles selected to perform before a group of some of the world's best percussionists.

## Writer's Guild: A supportive place for writers to grow

Rachel Rogers  
Assistant Sections Editor

How many times have you seen those flyers posted up in the Humanities building and wondered 'Just what is this Writer's Guild?'

Writer's Guild was formed in the fall of 1996, when Mrs. Anna Clark came across a group of former Governor's School students sitting in a hallway of the Humanities building writing and discussing writing. When she discovered what it was they were doing and that they were meeting once a week, she asked a young man named Joseph Watson to come and speak with her.

"I mentioned to him that if he and his friends were serious about meeting regularly and if they needed a place to meet," explained Mrs. Clark, "I could speak with others in the English Department about using the Writing Center as a meeting place."

Mrs. Clark also suggested that they become an official student organization. When all the paperwork was filled out, Writer's Guild was born. Joseph Watson was the group's first president and Mrs. Clark was their first advisor.

To this day, Writer's Guild still fulfills the same purpose. It offers students a chance to meet together each week to write and discuss one another's writing.

"I come to Writer's Guild because all of my friends are here," says Sandy Tolar, a freshman English major from Union City. "We talk about writing and have a lot of fun."

A typical meeting starts with the current president, Crystal Zanders, talking about the agenda. One of the important topics this week in the anthology, which is a collection of short stories and poems written by members of the Writers' Guild that is published each year. Mrs. Clark then publishes enough copies for each member, plus a few extra. Dr. Leslie LaChance, the group's other advisor, then talked about the upcoming trip to McKenzie to hear an author speak.

After all the business has been dealt with, it's time to write. Crystal reads out three different prompts to spark the writer's imaginations. The three she used on this night were 'fire-breathing dragon', 'blind man's pictures' and 'experimental tyranny'.

For the next ten to fifteen minutes, the only sounds you hear are the scratching of pens on paper, the occasional snicker of someone who's just written something clever and shuffling paper.

Finally, it's time to read. Everyone has the opportunity to share what they've

written. Someone reads a poem they wrote about a blind man's pictures. Another reads the poem they wrote about the frustration they have with their church's Christmas play set to the experimental tyranny theme. Then there's a short story stemming from the blind man's pictures prompt. Finally, a poem from the fire-breathing dragon prompt that sends the reader into tears. After each piece, the other members of the group snap to show their approval.

The only "requirements" to being in Writers' Guild is having an interest in writing. "Unwritten in our constitution but understood by each of us are these words: acceptance, respect and appreciation," explains Mrs. Clark. "We don't 'tear apart' each other's work; we read, we share, we appreciate and we grow as writers."

Writer's Guild meets at 7:15 p.m. every Thursday night in the Writing Center, room 209 in the Humanities building. There will be no meeting this week due to a trip the group is taking, but everyone is invited to attend.

"I really enjoy getting together with like-minded people to write," says Laura Hensley, a freshman English major from Savannah, TN. "It gives me an outlet that I don't get otherwise."

## Velvet Revolver: Back in action

Rachel Rogers  
Assistant Sections Editor

So what happens when your band splits apart, but you're still ready to rock?

Simple. You find others like you and start a new band.

That's what happened when three ex-Guns 'N' Roses members---Slash, Duff McKagan and Matt Sorum----, former Stone Temple Pilot front man Scott Weiland along with David Kushner of Suicidal Tendencies did when they formed Velvet Revolver. According to an interview on Vh1.com, Weiland explains that "We're all looking for a rebirth here. We're looking to get back that same feeling we had when we all first started making music--the sense of doing it for the pure joy of making music."

The guys started out by doing a couple of songs for movies. The first one was 'Set Me free', written for The Hulk soundtrack. They also did a cover of Pink Floyd's 'Money' for The Italian Job. Then they signed a record deal with RCA records and began recording what would become Contraband, the band's first album.

When the album was released in the spring of 2004, it was greeted with much anticipation. But it was well worth it. It debuted at number one on the Billboard charts. The music pays homage to the boys' hard-rock days, with plenty of crashing guitars and enough growl to make any rocker proud. But over that music is Scott Weiland's intensely personal lyrics.

Weiland, who had just gone through a divorce and a stint in rehab for heroin, poured out his emotions through his lyrics. Some of those show just how angry he was at his situation. "She's givin up on you now/ Do it for the kids they say/ It's ain't about you anyway" he sings about his divorce from his wife on the song 'Do it For the Kids'. The he shows his more emotional side in the ballad 'Fall to Pieces', where he speaks of feeling lonely. "I keep a journal of memories/ I'm feeling lonely, I can't breathe."

Weiland is one of the most controversial characters in rock-n-roll--he's ranked right up there with the great Axl Rose himself--and it's easy to see why. While the songs are very powerful and emotional, they also contain

quite a bit of colorful language. And not all of it is the typical four-letter words we normally think of. Some of the content is vulgar enough to make a grown man blush. So the Parental Advisory sticker is on there just to make sure some people don't get their hands on it just yet.

Many people were thrilled by the return of some of the biggest names in rock. And it's easy to see how they've gathered so many new fans. After putting out two singles---rock-driven 'Slither' and ballad 'Fall to Pieces'---, people are getting exposure to the group's diversity and their ability to appeal to fans of all genres of music. If you have the chance to see them live, it just makes them even more appealing.

Velvet Revolver is currently on tour, after having kicked it off in Nashville, TN on October 16 at the 5th annual Buzzfest. You can learn more about them by checking out their website at [www.velvetrevolver.net](http://www.velvetrevolver.net).

These guys show no signs whatsoever of slowing down, proving that you can't keep a good rock star down.

## UTM Piano Ensemble: To present international music

Elaine Hariss, Ph.D  
Assoc. Professor of Music

The UTM Piano Ensemble will present its fall concert on Thursday evening, at 8:00 p.m., November 18. The program will be performed in the Harriet Fulton Theater on the UTM campus. This event is free and open to the public.

In keeping with UTM's observance of International Education Week, the evening's music represents different countries. Among the pieces performed for one and

two pianos will be *Spanish Dance* by Moszkowski, *Jamaican Rumba* by Benjamin, *Reflections of Germany* by Schmitt, *Lindaraja* by Debussy, *Country Gardens* by Grainger, and *Fantasias on American Folk Tunes* by Townsend. The finale will be a five piano presentation of Vandall's arrangement of *America the Beautiful*.

UTM piano students performing include, Megan Beam, Rachel Cook, Crystal Crockett, Linda Farmer, Valerie Sanderson, Jason

Stout and Hana Umehara. Guests for the evening are four area high school students from the studios of Betty Cooper of Dyersburg, Bill Kelly of Gates and Elaine Harriss of Martin. High school students performing are Bethany Chapman, Matthew Hollingsworth and Michael McGehee, all of Dyersburg, and Andrew Moore of South Fulton. The Piano Ensemble is under the direction of Dr. Elaine Harriss, Associate Professor of Music.

Please submit your articles to The Pacer by 5 p.m. Thursdays.

# All aboard for the *Polar Express!*

Theresa A. Oliver  
Arts & Entertainment Editor

All aboard for *The Polar Express!* *The Polar Express* captures the wonder of childhood complete with the North Pole, Santa Clause, elves and the true meaning of friendship in this animated film soon to become a classic, giving both adults as well as children a reason to believe.

The movie opens when a boy goes to sleep in his own bed on Christmas Eve and is awakened when the Polar Express train pulls up on the street in front of his home. He runs outside in the snow to see what the commotion was all about and is invited to step onto the train, bound for the North Pole. The boy hesitates at first, and then jumps aboard as the train begins to pull away.

Once on the train, the boy

meets many other children, each with their own issues and backgrounds. Then the train stops once more for their last pickup ... a boy from the other side of the tracks. He also hesitates, then the boy pulls the emergency stop to let the other boy aboard.

The conductor, voiced by Tom Hanks, asks the children if they would like some refreshment. When they all reply that they would, in comes many table jumping, flipping and dancing waiters expertly pouring hot chocolate in big Santa size ceramic cups. The dishes are collected just as fast as they were served, leaving behind one of the best scenes in the movie.

The train continues on its ride through steep, rollercoaster mountain passes



Courtesy of Warner Brothers.com

and icy slopes, adding to the visual effects. Not only is

the viewer privileged to be on the train on the inside, but the boy walks along the top of the train where he meets a vagabond, making coffee from a sock, but who looks out for the boy.

"Do you believe in ghosts?" the friendly man asks. The boy replies that he did not. "Interesting," was the man's reply. He leads the boy to safety then promptly vanishes.

The wild ride continues until they finally reach the North Pole. Once they arrive, the adventure continues, giving the viewer peeks behind the scenes of Santa's workshop, the conveyor belts carrying presents and solving the mystery of how all of the presents of the world fit into

*The Polar Express*

Rated: G

Director: Robert Zemeckis  
Warner Brothers Entertainment, Inc.



out of five

one huge sack.

Once in the North Pole town square, the jingle bells from Santa's sleigh are brought out, but the boy can not hear it. When one bell falls off close to him, he picks up the bell, shakes it, but can not hear it. "I believe," said the boy, a half prayer coming from his heart. He shakes the bell again to hear the most beautiful sound he could hear, a sound only

believers can hear.

The movie is honest and true, celebrating the wonder and magic of Christmas. *The Polar Express* is a movie for young audiences and for the young at heart as well. The animation was fantastic, with a great story line to boot. A must see for the holiday season. I give it five stars.

# Shall We Dance? A must-see quiet sleeper

Theresa A. Oliver  
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Starring Richard Gere, Susan Sarandon and Jennifer Lopez, *Shall We Dance* is a wonderful story about not just accepting life if it does not make you happy, but it gives permission to innocently want more ... and to find it.

*Shall We Dance* is about John Clark, (played by Richard Gere) who is an attorney that deals in wills, becomes complacent in his life and finds happiness on the ballroom dance floor. He loves his wife Beverly (played by Susan Sarandon) and his daughter; however, he begins to feel that there is something missing from his life. On the train coming home every evening, he begins to notice a beauti-

ful girl, Paulina, (played by Jennifer Lopez) in the window of a dance studio that looks troubled and forlorn. He becomes intrigued, not because she is a beautiful woman, but because she "looks the way he feels." So, he musters enough courage to enter Mitz's Dance Studio and to sign up for dancing lessons, while keeping it a secret from his wife and daughter. Paulina is one of his instructors and Clark develops friendships not only with her, but with the other characters as well.

Beverly begins to have suspicions as to her husband's whereabouts, so she hires a detective to follow him. Once she finds out that he is innocently taking ballroom dance lessons, she wonders why, but allows her husband his privacy, until the big



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competition. The detective invites his wife and daughter to the competition, where his secret is exposed.

After the competition, Paulina is going back to England to begin dancing again, and invites Clark to a

party to dance with him one more time and to say thank you. She writes him a letter, which he lets his wife read. The morning of the party, he finds on the kitchen table his tux and a pair of shiny black shoes with a note from his wife, "Go to the party. I will be working late."

However, he dresses in the tux and shiny shoes, dons a red rose ... but appears at the department store where his wife works. He presents her with the rose and tells her that he has only one partner. Then he asks her to dance. "Right here?" his wife asks. "But I don't know the steps." "I'll teach you," he replies.

In the next scene, they arrive at the party just in time to dance the spotlight dance with the partner of Paulina's choice. Clark arrives just in time, kisses his wife and she

*Shall We Dance?*

Rated: PG-13

Director: Peter Chelsom  
Miramax films



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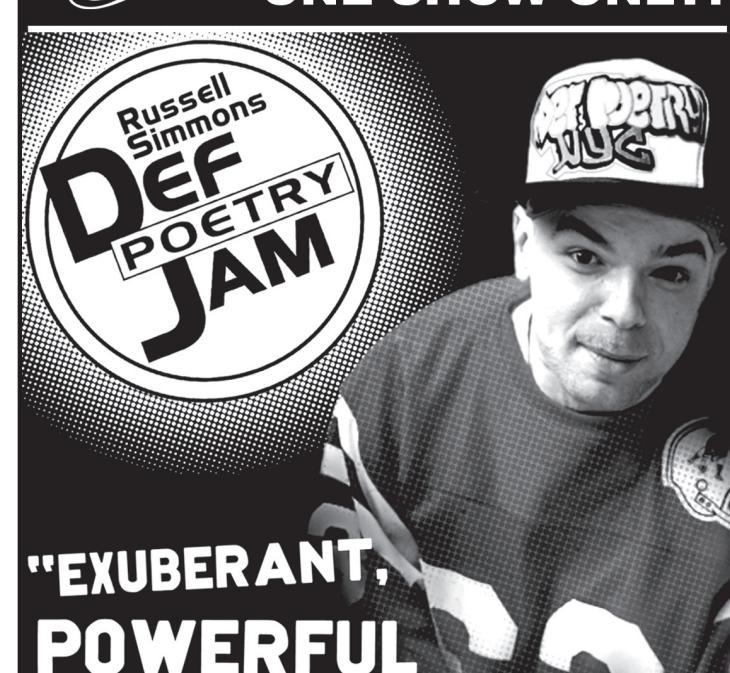
*Shall We Dance* is both innocent and funny, answering the question of what to do when life becomes mundane, without leaving your family. The dance scenes were fabulous and beautiful, but funny at times, with characters that warm the viewer's

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## Basketball seasons open up with exhibitions

### Women fly over Lady Pelicans, Men falter against Eagles

**Brad Hurt**  
Staff Writer

#### Women vs. Spalding University

The Skyhawk women's basketball team made new head coach Tara Tansil's debut at UTM a happy one as they defeated Spalding University, 79-59, in their first exhibition game of the 2004-05 season.

Tansil, a former UTM player and assistant coach, is beginning her first season as UTM's head coach.

Both offenses started slowly, but the Skyhawks sent the message early that they were in control. They built their lead through stifling defense and possession of loose balls.

By forcing turnovers they were able to control the pace of the game. The lead was ten barely eight minutes into the game. From there, the Skyhawks went on an 8-3 run to force a Spalding timeout. They continued to pour it on and eventually stretched the lead to 34-19 with 6:29 remaining before halftime.

The teams played evenly in the final minutes before junior guard Keva Robinson hit a floating shot from the lane at the buzzer to send the Skyhawks to the locker room with a comfortable 47-35 halftime lead.

"We executed well in the first half in the half-court and against the press, but we did not do a good job on the glass," said coach Tansil.

In the second half, Spalding turned up the pressure on both ends of the floor, and the overall tempo of the game slowed.

The Skyhawks struggled to find a rhythm on offense, but their poor shooting was duplicated by the Lady Pelicans on the other end of the court.

The Skyhawks' advantage hovered around 15 points throughout the half.

Finally, with around four minutes remaining, the Skyhawks began to pull away, stretching the lead to 70-53. By the three-minute mark the lead was 20 points. The Skyhawks had three

players in double figures, led by sophomore forward Andrieka Jackson's 18 points.

Junior guard Keva Robinson scored 12 points, and senior guard Chandra Carey added 11.

The Skyhawks open their season on November 19 against the Purple Aces of Evansville University. Tip-off is scheduled for 11:30 a.m.

#### Men vs. Lambuth University

The Skyhawks men's basketball team saw a 12-point halftime advantage disappear and a frantic final-minute rally come up short as they lost an exhibition game to Lambuth, 98-92.

Powered by their stifling defense and fast breaks created by turnovers, the Skyhawks were able to turn what was a close game in the first 10 minutes into a comfortable advantage at the half.

Lambuth was unable to handle the quickness and ball movement of the Skyhawks, leading to many scoring opportunities.

After battling back and forth with the Eagles, the Skyhawks pulled away for a 48-36 lead at the final media timeout of the half. At the end of the half, the score was 54-42 in favor of UTM.

Ten different players scored for the Skyhawks in the first half, led by junior Jason Thompson with 12 points. Lambuth's Chris Cole led all scorers with 18 points in the first half and 32 for the game.

The second half was much different from the first half as Lambuth charged out of the locker room with a 7-0 run, forcing a timeout by the Skyhawks.

The fierce play continued once play resumed, and when the Eagles claimed the lead at 63-62, Coach Campbell was forced to use another timeout to settle his team down.

Though rattled by Lambuth's strong run, the Skyhawks refused to let them take the game without a fight. They stayed within striking



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**Senior guard Tyler George attempts to score over the Lambuth defender during Thursday night's exhibition game in the Elam Center. George added eight points to the Skyhawk's total against the Eagles.**

distance and trailed by only one, 72-71, after sophomore guard Justin Flatt knocked down two free throws.

Turnovers and missed free throws down the stretch hurt the Skyhawks' attempts to pull even with the Eagles.

After a couple of UTM turnovers, Lambuth extended the lead to 83-75 at the final media timeout.

After the timeout, the Skyhawks began a furious comeback.

Free throws by senior forward Chris Carter pulled the team to within five points with 3:14 remaining.

Those free throws ignited a 13-1 Skyhawk run, and with 16.5 seconds remaining in the game, UTM trailed 93-88.

From there, the Skyhawks were forced to foul in order to stop the clock and give themselves an opportunity to get the ball back.

Both teams shot well from the floor as Lambuth hit 56 percent of their shots and the Skyhawks hit 52 percent.

Lambuth edged the Skyhawks at the free-throw line, 59 percent to 58 percent. The teams were even on the boards with 38 rebounds each.

The teams were close in foul territory as well, with the Skyhawks picking up 26, the Eagles, 25.

Six Skyhawks scored in double figures.

Junior Jason Thompson posted a double-double in his first game for the Skyhawks with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

The Skyhawks open the regular season on November 20 at 6:00 when they visit the Duke Blue Devils at Cameron Indoor Stadium in Durham, N.C. The game will be televised on Fox Sports South.

### Proud to be a Skyhawk

**Amy Eddings**  
Sports Editor

It's my second favorite time of the sports year: college basketball season.

Those of you who are returning readers know that I do, and always will, bleed Kentucky blue. Although the Skyhawks are who I cheer for, I can't deny my Wildcat roots.

Which is why I hope I don't get arrested this weekend when I make the trek to Durham to watch UTM take on Duke.

As a UK fan, it's been burned into my mind to hate the Blue Devils and everything they stand for.

The 1992 NCAA championship game is the first sporting event that I can really remember crying over (although, thanks to such schools as the University of Alabama-Birmingham, Marquette, Arizona and North Carolina, I've had plenty of other chances to show my emotions).

Christian Lattner will always be No. 1 on my list of athletes that I dislike.

I know you're not supposed to hold a grudge, but I just can't get over it.

So, if you see me on Friday night/Saturday morning, make sure that I'm not carrying any blue spray paint. A small part of me has this evil plan to sneak down onto the court and change DUKE to UK...it's just so easy.

Part of me also wants to wear a Duke t-shirt with the D and E marked out. I think that might be just a wee bit disrespectful given that I will possibly be meeting the coaches, athletic directors and sports information directors of the university.

It's probably not the best idea to meet Coach K wearing a t-shirt with the name of his school defaced.

Oh well, I think he would understand. Loyalties run deep and can't be changed, especially since they've been there since birth.

I hope that everyone tunes in for the game and cheers on the Skyhawks as they take on a big opponent.

Until next week... GO SKYHAWKS!!!!

## Volleyball finishes season with OVC losses to Eastern Illinois, SEMO

#### UTM Sports Information

Eastern Illinois downed UT Martin 30-28 in game one, 30-19 in game two and 30-25 in the final game to win the match.

The Skyhawks had higher hopes heading into the match against Southeast Missouri, as UTM defeated the Otakians 3-0 in their previous meeting.

With the two losses, the Skyhawks end the season with a 10-17 overall record and a 7-9 OVC won-loss total.

The Skyhawks lose only

two seniors from this year's squad, Diane Foster and Leigh Reiniche.

The Skyhawks retaliated

with a commanding 30-22 win in game two. SEMO sealed the win with two 30-26 victories in games three and four.

A win over SEMO would have earned the Skyhawks a berth in the OVC tournament.

The Skyhawks finished seventh in the conference race, while only the top six teams advance to the OVC tournament.

#### 2004 Ohio Valley Conference Regular Season Final Standings

	Overall	OVC
Eastern Kentucky	25-4	15-1
Eastern Illinois	24-5	15-1
Jacksonville State	20-8	10-6
Austin Peay	14-15	9-7
Southeast Missouri	11-16	9-7
Morehead State	9-19	8-8
Tennessee-Martin	10-17	7-9
Tennessee Tech	12-16	7-9
Murray State	6-17	3-13
Samford	5-21	3-13
Tennessee State	5-27	2-14

## Football drops final game to Murray State in 38-0 heartbreaker

**Amy Eddings**  
Sports Editor

The 2004 football season ended Saturday afternoon much in the same way that it began: with a shutout on the road to a team with a horse as a mascot.

The Skyhawks dropped the first game of the season to the Western Michigan Broncos, 42-0, and the last to the Ohio Valley Conference member Murray State Racers, 38-0.

UTM, at the helm of back-up quarterback, freshman Drew Jacobs, was unable to put any points on the board, picking up only 124 total offensive yards, 89 rushing and just 35 passing.

Murray had three 100-plus yard rushers for

a total of 385 yards. The Racers also picked up 120 passing yards.

This is the first time that MSU has shutout UTM since 1979 and the first time at Roy Stewart Stadium ever.

The Racers scored four of their five touchdowns in the first half, and added one more plus a field goal in the second.

On a positive note, freshman running back standout Donald Chapman succeeded in becoming the first Skyhawk to have a 1,000-yard rushing season since 1988.

With the 104 yards that Chapman racked up on Saturday, he also broke the school's record for most rushing yards in a season with a total of 1,085.

Defensively, sophomore linebacker

Markeseo Jackson lead the team with 15 solo tackles and one sack for a loss of 10 yards.

Senior free safety and team co-captain Russell Gambrell was close behind with 12 tackles and senior linebacker John Castillo finished the day with nine.

The Skyhawks end the year with a 2-9 (1-7 OVC) record. This is the third season in a row in which UTM has only had two victories.

The team looks ahead to the 2005 season when they are scheduled to open up against Gardner-Webb University at home on Saturday, September 3, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

#### 2004 Results

Western Mich.	42-0	L
Tenn. St.	13-27	L
Austin Peay	31-14	W
Indiana St.	41-24	L
Tenn. Tech	20-49	L
Jacksonville	59-12	L
Samford	20-34	L
Eastern Ill.	32-14	W
SEMO	7-35	L
Eastern Ky.	14-41	L
Murray St.	38-0	L

# Skyhawk of the Week

**Amy Eddings**  
Sports Editor

Andreika Jackson and Donald Chapman have been named this week's Skyhawk of the Week.

Jackson, the 5'8" forward, scored led the way for UTM with 18 points and nine rebounds Saturday night in the Skyhawks exhibition game against the Lady Pelicans of Spalding University.

The forward from Decatur, Ga., had 580 minutes last year as a freshman and averaged 21.5 minutes per game. She started in seven of the 27 games she played in. Her fieldgoal percentage was .600.

She averaged 10.2 points per game and added 292 points to the Skyhawks total during the 2003-2004 season.

Chapman, who has previously been named Skyhawk of the week three times this year, racked up 104 rushing yards Saturday against the Murray State Racers.

Despite the loss, Chapman picked up enough yards to break the 1,000-yard mark. He is the first Skyhawk football player to do so since 1988.

Chapman, the freshman running back from Mari-

etta, Ga., has 1,085 total career yards which puts him atop the single season rushers list.

The previous leader was Larry Washington who had 1,058 yards in 1976.

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# SPORTS BRIEFLY

## UTM signs Humboldt golfer for 2005 season

Humboldt product Wesley Stewart signed a national letter of intent to play collegiate golf at UTM.

Stewart has accumulated various athletic accomplishments throughout his career. Most recently he played in the 2004 Class A-AA Tennessee State Tournament where he finished 14th out of 70 golfers.

Before the state tournament, he finished third in both the Class A-AA district and regional tournaments.

"Wes is one of the best players in West Tennessee,"

## UTM volleyball signs St. Louis area player

recently St. Louis CYC. This past summer, Weber and her St. Louis CYC team won the Junior Olympics national championship.

Weber, from Maryland Heights, Mo., attends Westminster Christian Academy. She's earned all-conference and all-district honors throughout her four-year playing career.

She was named the team captain for her junior and senior seasons and earned the Wendy's High School Heisman Award.

Weber competed at the USA Volleyball club level playing for Kirkwood VBC and most

Carpenter said.

"He has a great work ethic. One of his strongest assets is he knows how to manage his golf game."

Stewart is a senior at Humboldt High School. He is the son of Deonna Stewart Lee.

The Skyhawks recently concluded their fall golf season with a 10th place-finish in the Southwest Missouri State Invitational.

UTM will return to action Feb. 20 at the Samford University Men's Intercollegiate Tournament.

"Lisa has the highest ACT score of all the academically gifted players I have recruited to this program and I know she will highly succeed in her education," Rushing said.

"Lisa is a well rounded individual, with a great head on her shoulders. UT Martin is very lucky to have her join us."

"The reason why I chose UT Martin was when I visited the campus, I felt at home," Weber said. "Everyone, especially the girls and Coach Rushing, were so warm and welcoming. I felt like I fit in right away and could see myself attending UT Martin."

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# SKYHAWKS

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# BLUE DEVILS

*UTM travels to Duke for season opener*

Amy Eddings  
Sports Editor

**A** preseason mishap found the Skyhawks and the Duke Blue Devils in the same predicament: no opening opponent. UTM was originally scheduled to play the Kansas State, but the date wasn't good for either team.

Head coach Bret Campbell spent days deciding whether or not to make the 10-plus hour trip to face one of the most prolific basketball programs in NCAA history.

"As good as Duke is, they could set you back, confidence-wise," Campbell said. "We were worried about getting off to a good start, especially with our returning players."

The decision was finally made and plans started to get underway to get the team ready to face the Blue Devils.

"There's been a lot of incentive to work just a little bit harder," Campbell said. "I think our offseason workouts have been enhanced by this."

Much of the campus was wondering why exactly the team, who went just 10-18 last season would even want to attempt to take on Duke, who made it all the way to the Final Four last year.

Several factors were considered: national exposure, the experience of taking on a nationally ranked ball club, and when it finally came down to it, money was ranked right up there.

The Skyhawks will be picking up anywhere from \$40,000 to \$50,000 for the single game against Duke. Coach Campbell says that this is the standard amount usually received for a "money game". Among the other "money games" scheduled for this year is Illinois State on Nov. 27th.

This experience will be on that the Skyhawk men will never forget.

But possibly the most excited is sophomore guard Justin Flatt.

Flatt is a transfer from North Carolina State, where the rivalry is as strong as it is with any two teams in the country.

"I'm excited to get back," Flatt said. "I know what it's like, but it's hard to explain."

The Skyhawks lost several starters last season, but have quite a bit of talent returning for the big game.

The veterans include senior guard Earl Bullock, senior forward Chris Carter, senior guard Tyler George and junior guard/forward Jared Newson.

Newson, the 6'5" Belleville, Ill. native, looks to earn the preseason awards that he received. He was named to the All-OVC preseason first team.

Last year Newson was also named to the All-OVC third team. He finished the 2003-2004 season tied for second in the conference in scoring, averaging 19.2 points per game. Newson also finished sixth in the conference in rebounding and steals, averaging 7.3 boards per game and 1.62 steals a game.

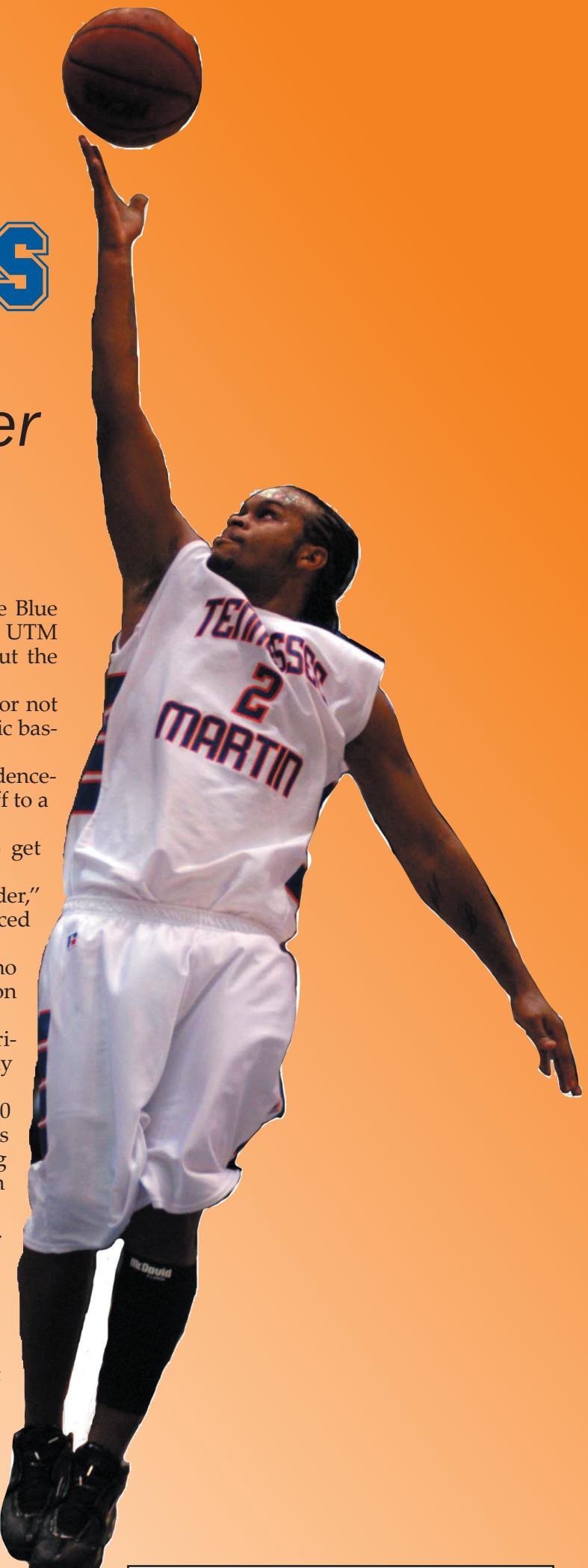
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Duke sent 150 tickets to UTM to be sold to students and members of the community for \$45. The seats, which were only available for two weeks will be right behind the Skyhawks bench. Although the tickets have already been sent back to Duke, there are still seats available. For more information contact the university's ticketing office at 1-877-375-DUKE.

"There's not many big schools that will sit you right behind the team bench," said Jenny Canary, who was in charge of ticket sales. "If we play at UT, you get put everywhere."

Canary said she sent back 50 tickets, and that many of the 100 sold were bought by Skyhawk Club members. Just a few tickets were sold to students.

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